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"AN ACT IMPOSING LIMITATIONS ON LICENSED MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS WHO ARE SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE."

After the last section, insert the following:

"Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) (a) (1) For purposes of this section, a "hands-free mobile telephone" means a telephone with speakerphone capability or an attachment, add-on or addition to a mobile telephone or other piece of equipment, whether or not permanently installed in the motor vehicle, that when used allows the operator of a motor vehicle to maintain both hands on the steering device.

- (2) "Mobile telephone" includes, but is not limited to, cellular, analog, wireless and digital telephones capable of sending or receiving telephone communications without an access line for service.
- (b) On and after January 1, 2003, no operator of a motor vehicle shall use a mobile telephone while said motor vehicle is in motion on a public highway or private road unless the operator is using a mobile telephone through a hands-free device attached to said mobile telephone or such person is: (1) An operator who is alone and reasonably fears for his or her safety or reasonably believes that a criminal act may be perpetrated against him or her; (2) an operator who is using such telephone to contact an emergency 911 system to report what such operator reasonably believes is an emergency or the commission of a crime or motor vehicle violation; (3) an operator of a school bus with passengers who uses such telephone to call for assistance when the school bus experiences a mechanical breakdown

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or an emergency arises that endangers the operator or the passengers; or (4) a police officer, peace officer or firefighter or an operator of an ambulance, authorized emergency vehicle, as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 14-1 of the general statutes, bus, school bus without passengers, taxi cab or tow truck who uses such telephone while acting in the performance of his or her duties and within the scope of his or her employment.

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- (c) Nothing contained in this section shall prevent any passenger of a motor vehicle, other than the operator, from using a mobile telephone while the motor vehicle is in motion.
- (d) Any violation of this section shall constitute an infraction and be
 punishable by a fine not to exceed seventy-five dollars for each
 violation. Each such violation shall constitute a separate and distinct
 violation."

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